

MR. BRYAN.

The widespread demand for Mr. Bryan to become a presidential nominee in 1908 ought not to occasion surprise in any quarter. It is the habit of the world to reject, at first those who bring it a message. The men who are clamoring loudest for Mr. Bryan now, called him an anarchist in 1896. It has required ten years of life and a sight of the red flag of radicalism for them to learn that he was right and they were wrong. They helped to make Mr. Bryan a logical candidate in 1908, when in the convention that named Alton B. Parker, they beat down Mr. Bryan and brushed his opinions out of the platform. The crushing defeat that was the fruit of their action set the tide flowing toward the distinguished and indestructible Nebraskan. But it is Theodore Roosevelt who has been a chief influence in making Mr. Bryan the man of the hour. In utter inharmonious with the leaders of his own party, Mr. Roosevelt has accepted and defended in very large part, the policies of which Mr. Bryan has been the foremost champion. As president, Mr. Roosevelt has wrung from an unwilling congress some of the very measures for the advocacy of which Mr. Bryan was abused, ridiculed and reviled ten years ago. The policy control of railroads by rate legislation, now the pet measure of Mr. Roosevelt, was forced into the democratic platform by Mr. Bryan in 1896 and championed by him throughout the memorable campaign of that year. In that same campaign Mr. Bryan was vigorous in his assaults on the trusts, and in pointing out where and what trust aggregations would lead to, for all of which he was assailed, denounced and condemned by his political opponents, who declared in memorable language that "trusts are a good thing," yet here, ten years later is Theodore Roosevelt, as president, pursuing exactly the line of policy towards trusts that Mr. Bryan then advocated. It all means that Mr. Bryan came with a message in which he was ten years in advance of his own countrymen, and that now with the light of experience to guide them, those who were his most bitter opponents have come to recognize his wisdom and his leadership.

Mr. Bryan may never be president, but as long as he lives, whether in private or public life, he will be one of the most distinguished citizens of the country.

I. O. O. F. EXCURSION JULY 4TH.

To Detroit. Albany lodge No. 4 I. O. O. F. of Albany will give the only excursion out of Albany or Corvallis on July 4th. Train will leave as follows: Corvallis at 6:30 a. m., and Albany at 7:30 a. m. This will be a great day in the mountains. Do not forget to take your lunch baskets well filled. The public is invited to join the Odd Fellows on this excursion. \$1.00 round trip. Tickets for sale at F. M. French's Jewelry Store, Albany and Allen & Woodward's Drug Store, Corvallis.

Wanted to Buy.

National Cash Registers. Highest cash price paid. State serial number and price expected, and buyer will call promptly. P. O. box 458, Portland, Ore.

Economy fruit jars at Thatcher & Johnson's.

Notice of Final Settlement.

In The Matter of the Estate of William J. Kelly, deceased. Notice is hereby given that the undersigned as administrator with the will annexed of the estate of William J. Kelly, deceased, has filed his final account as such administrator with the clerk of the county court of the State of Oregon for Benton county and the said court has fixed Saturday, the 7th day of July, 1906, at the hour of two o'clock in the afternoon of said day as the time, and the county court room in the court house in Corvallis, Oregon, as the place for hearing any and all objections to the said account and for settlement thereof. Dated, June 8, 1906. M. WILHELM, Administrator with the will annexed of the estate of William J. Kelly, deceased.

STILL DEBATE IT.

More Things They say About Proposed Charge for Water Connections.

The controversy over the charge for connecting consumers with the Mountain Water system is still on but is diminished in fervor. The effect of the agitation is proving beneficial in that a better understanding on the subject is being reached by all citizens. For instance, practically all of those familiar with the situation are ready to admit that a charge of some kind will have to be made in order to provide a sufficient sum to pay the cost of materials and labor in making the connections. Those in charge of the system, cannot lawfully go in debt one cent for any purpose, now that the money from the bond sale is exhausted. To go in debt would be an injustice to the bond holders, and to the people of Corvallis, whose credit is at stake. To attempt to go in debt, would give any citizen the right to prevent it by injunction. It would in addition be a bad precedent. Yet it will cost the city \$5 for every consumer that is connected. With the bond money exhausted, how then could the connections be made in any other way than by the consumers themselves putting up the money for it. The facts as to this point are coming to be understood by most people, and more and more there is a general willingness on the part of the citizens to put up the money necessary to make connections. The cost of connecting each consumer was itemized in Tuesday's TIMES, as follows:

- The actual figures are:
- 1 galvanized elbow, .08.
- 1 three-fourths reducer or coupling, .08.
- 1 brass corporation cock, .60.
- 1 3-4 brass curb cock, .70.
- 1 cast iron service box, .50.
- 35 ft. of 3-4 galvanized wrought iron pipe, 1.75. Total, \$3.71.

With \$3.71 as the actual cost of fittings, the allowance for labor in making the connections under the proposed \$5 charge is only \$1.29, and there are many who say the labor will cost more. In any event the necessity of getting from some source and in some way, about \$5 for each connection to be made in order to begin operations, seems to be an alternative that cannot be avoided.

While a great many people have come to better understand the tapping charge, there is a widespread view that a part if not all of this charge might be rebated to each consumer in credits for his water. Some suggest that 25 per cent of his monthly charge for water be rebated to each consumer each month until the whole \$5 is paid back. Others propose that one dollar per year be rebated, returning the entire tapping charge back to the consumer at the end of five years. There are still others who propose that under the circumstances a rebate of only one half the \$5 in easy proportions would be satisfactory to many of those who now raise objections. The willingness to pay the charge provided there be some arrangement for a rebate in water service seems well nigh universal. Indeed there are many level-headed business men along the street who are of the opinion that it would be good business policy for those in charge of the system to make some arrangement for a rebate of some kind. They argue that such a step will secure more consumers, and that more consumers will make more revenue to the system out of which to pay rebate. On the other hand, there are those who have been opposing the tapping charge who now say, since reaching an understanding of the conditions, that it is just as well to let the \$5 charge stand without any rebate at all, because in any event the consumer is paying the money in part to himself, and what he pays now he will be saved from paying later on.

In the controversy, all people ought to keep in mind the fact that they are part owners in the new water system. They are all partners in the business. It does not belong to the Water Commission. Every citizen has a right to kick if things don't suit him, but it won't pay him to throw a straw in the way of the successful operation of the system. If he does that he attacks his own interests and the interest of his children to come after him. Every dollar he pays into the business comes back in part to himself. If we pay in it a \$5 tapping fee it is that much less to pay in water rates, later on. When Portland got Bull Run water that city jumped from a very heavy death rate to be one of the healthiest cities in the United States. Its death rate now is one of the lowest among the cities of the country. A \$5 tapping fee is easier to pay than a \$5

doctor bill to say nothing of the drug bill, the nurse bill and the suffering of the sick child at home that occasioned the doctor bill. Next in importance, to pure air, comes clean wholesome water, and that is why the people of Corvallis have spent \$75,000 for a water system which they themselves own, and for the successful operation of which they have a mutual and all consuming interest. Eugene, after her bitter experience would give many times that sum for mountain water, but she has no Rock Creek within reach.

PASSED AWAY.

The Mother of James Flett—Died at his Home Yesterday—The Funeral.

Mrs. Ann Compton of Roseburg, passed away Thursday at the home of her son, J. J. Flett in Corvallis, at the age of 73 years. Mrs. Compton came to Corvallis five weeks ago. A week after her arrival she became confined to her bed from brain and heart affection, and other complications ensued which her vitality would not withstand.

For interment the remains were taken today to Roseburg, where other members of the family are buried.

With her first husband, Robert Flett, deceased, she came to Oregon from Winnipeg in 1854. She had seen much of pioneer life in a six-months' journey from Manitoba settlement in Tygh valley, Wasco county, then a remote frontier locality, and subsequent early day travels through Eastern Oregon and Northern Washington. During the Indian troubles in 1855 about The Dalles the family lived at Tygh valley and almost all the residents of the neighborhood moved towards The Dalles for safety, taking their stock with them. Mrs. Compton had often stated that although their husbands were away fighting the Redskins she and a lady friend decided to remain at home and protect themselves to the best of their ability. Although before hostilities closed the brave women had many fights, they passed safely through the crisis with their stock. Upon the other hand, those who deserted the valley suffered much hardship and lost all. Mrs. Compton's companion was Mrs. Jackson, grandmother of Mrs. Clara Waldo, a regent at OAC.

Mrs. Compton had lived in Roseburg since 1865. She enjoyed a wide acquaintance with pioneers of the state. She was a woman of unusual energy and integrity, and in life was quite successful in business matters.

G. R. FARRA, Physician & Surgeon.

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Children's Cantata.

The splendid Juvenile Cantata, "Crowning the Fairy Queen," will be given in the Opera House next Tuesday evening June 26 at 8:30. Over forty children are in the cantata and they have been carefully trained by Mrs. McCausland. Admission 15 cents for children and 25 cents for adults. Those buying tickets in advance can have them exchanged for reserved seat tickets at Graham & Wortham.

House for Rent.

Enquire at Allen's drug store.

ELECTION TIDINGS.

Of all sad words that come to hand,--
The saddest are these,--"Old man,
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Wood For Sale.

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M. M. Long has received a late improved rubber carriage tire setter and is prepared to do all kinds of rubber tire work.

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A nice house with 7 rooms, bath room all up to date, located well; Robinson & Stevenson, agents.

Notice.

Notice is hereby given that the partnership existing between R. H. Colbert and S. W. Smith is this day dissolved by mutual consent. Mr. Smith retires from the firm. R. H. Colbert. S. W. Smith. June 5th 1906.

BEGINS MONDAY.

Trial of George Mitchell—Corvallis Witnesses Leave for Seattle Tomorrow

Several Corvallisites leave tomorrow and next day for Seattle to be witnesses in the trial of George Mitchell, the slayer of Creffield. The trial is set for Monday morning, and promises to be a memorable legal battle. The subpoenaing of the Corvallis witnesses was done by Sheriff Burnett yesterday. On the list is, O. V. Hurt, Miss May Hurt, Mrs. B. E. Starr, E. H. Baldwin, E. R. Bryson, Sheriff Burnett, and Lewis Hartley. Others who will appear as witnesses are B. E. Starr, District Attorney Manning, and the superintendent and other attaches of the Boys and Girl's home of Portland. These witnesses are 29 in number, all being for the defense. For the prosecution, but one witness will be summoned, to wit, Maud Hurt, who has been held ever since the shooting by the Seattle authorities to give testimony. Mr. Bryson and Mr. Burnett will not go unless wired for later.

Lawyers for both the prosecution and defense have been in Corvallis to gather evidence. Mr. Morris the most renowned criminal lawyer perhaps in Washington was here several weeks ago, familiarizing himself with the circumstances incident to Creffield's career, and selecting matter for use in defending young Mitchell. Tuesday, Deputy Prosecuting Attorney Miller of Seattle, was in Corvallis on a similar errand in behalf of the prosecution. He was but half a day in town, and is understood to have found little here to encourage his side of the case. He said in private that everybody he met in Corvallis was prompt to declare that Creffield ought to have been killed long before," adding that he never saw such unanimity of sentiment.

The trial will attract a great deal of attention. The battle to save the life of Mitchell will be all that legal talent and human intelligence can muster. One of the lawyers for the defense is an Oregon boy, Silas Shipley, who is a graduate of Pacific University at Forest Grove, and is said to be one of the most effective advocates in the country.

Belief is pretty general that the jury will find justification for Mitchell's act, and that the boy will not be subjected to severe punishment. There are, in fact, many who anticipate an acquittal.

Ice and ice cream delivered on Sunday—any part of the city—by Corvallis Creamery Co.

Distilled water used in Campbell's Soda fountain.

The Revised Version.

Mary had a little lamb, its fleece was white as snow, it strayed away from home one day, where lambs should never go. And Mary sat her quickly down and tears streamed from her eyes; she never found the lamb because she did not advertise. And Mary had a brother John who kept a village store; he sat him down and smoked a pipe and watched the open door. And as the people passed along and did not stop to buy, John still sat and smoked his pipe and blinked his sleepy eye. And so the sheriff closed him out, but still he lingered near, and Mary came to drop with him a sympathetic tear. "How is it sister, can you tell, why other merchants here sell all their goods so readily and thrive from year to year?" Remembering her own bad luck the little maid replied: "These other fellows get there, John because they advertise."

A. Bargain.

163 acres known as the Cauthorn place on Peak road must be sold at once. 30 acres in crop. House of 5 rooms, new barn, 50 x 60 ft. 30 acres of heavy timber, balance pasture, running water on place. This is a bargain at \$1,600. Ambler & Watters, agents.

For Sale

Two good brood mares seven and eight years old at a bargain. Inquire at Corvallis Flouring Mills office.

Mr. J. Mon Foo, an experienced compounder of Chinese medicines, successor to the late Hong Wo Tong, of Albany, Oregon, is now prepared to furnish Chinese medicine to all. The undersigned recommends him and guarantees satisfaction. Call or write him at No. 117 West Second Street, Albany, Ore. Jim Westfall.

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Here are some of the goods lately received: The Celebrated Charter Oak Ranges, fully guaranteed. New Era Paint Co Paints, Oils, Varnish and Var-no-lac, Couches, Dining Chairs, Center Tables and many other things.

Hollenberg & Cady.

Picnic Time!

Hints for the Lunch Basket.

- Boned chicken, Chicken & liver, Boned turkey, Deviled ham, Veal loaf, Lunch tongue, German lunch sausage, Vienne sausage, Vienna sausage and sauer kraut
- Chipped beef and bacon in glass jars, Roast and corned beef, Lobsters, Shrimps, Oysters, Salmon, Sardines, crab and clams, Fresh fruits, cakes and crackers, Napkins, many pretty patterns to select from, Paper plates—no picnic baskets complete without paper plates. All kinds of pickles and olives in the bulk at

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